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Thanksgiving

Be joyful always

Pray continually

Give thanks for everything.

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Our Financial Stewardship:

The foundation of all stewardship is a generous heart.

October 3/4, 2026 \$ 14,754.75

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



Mon Oct 12	9:00am	Thanksgiving Day Mass Maria Parlato Special Intentions of Michael Ssemanda
Tues Oct 13	7:00pm	Michelle Beth De Briae Thomas Merwin Flora & Henry So Special Intentions of Anthony Ong Special Intentions of Elaine Ong
Wed Oct 14	9:00am	MaryAnn Krawesky
Thurs Oct 15	9:00am	Special Intentions of the Ira family
Fri Oct 16	9:00am	Special Intentions of Joseph Ssemanda
Sat Oct 17	5:00pm	Marco Romero Rosa & Frank Gentile James Boone Yako Mekho Eugenio Filice Carol Storr Lucy Bozzelli
Sun Oct 18	9:00am	Lina Febraro Fernando Baltazar Arcenia Baltazar Nilo Joson Alfonso Antonio Burgio
Sun Oct 18	11:00am	Vittorio DiPietro George Costa Raffaello Gasparin Nazario Ico Linda Tanada Trinidad



Please join us on Monday, October 12th, 2026 at 9:00am for Thanksgiving Day Mass.

The Office will be closed

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Do you know someone who is experiencing difficulties? Perhaps a temporary employment layoff or facing medical challenges. Food vouchers are available. Please contact our society by calling 905 512-5475. <https://www.ssvphamiltonpc.org/scos/>

Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

Mon	Rev. Archange Kebe
Tues	Rev. Godwin Pinto, O.C.D.
Wed	Order of Preachers, (Dominican), O.P.
Thurs	Rev. Francisco Sordo
Fri	Rev. Edward Hampson
Sat	Rev. John Ha

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 11, 2026

How has Jesus touched you and made you whole? Ask Him how He would like you to respond. Could Jesus be calling you to follow Him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? If God is calling you, contact Fr. John Ha, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. vocations@hamiltondiocese.com
hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

BIBLE STUDY

The parish Bible study will begin on following dates and times. You are welcome to attend either the morning or the evening session as they will both be the same program. We will be having them on Wednesday evenings at 7pm and Thursday mornings at 9:30am.

First Session:

Wednesday, October 28, 7pm

Thursday, October 29, 9:30am

If you have not already registered then please email Fr. Mark (mgatto@hamiltondiocese.com) so that we have an idea of number attending.

CONFIRMATION CELEBRATIONS 2026

Corpus Christi School – Fri. November 13th - 7pm

St. Teresa of Calcutta School – Sat. November 14th - 1pm

St. John Paul II School – Fri. November 27th - 7pm

St. Marguerite d'Youville School – Sat. November 28th - 1pm

2026 FUNDRAISER: 50/50 RAFFLE

Next draw **December 27, 2026**

Current Jackpot \$ 90.00

Parish \$ 45.00

Winner #1 \$ 22.50

Winner #2 \$ 22.50

Winnings divided: 50% parish, 50% divided equally between 2 ticket winners. Tickets can be obtained at the parish office and at weekend Masses.

INFORMATION SESSION - PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE, SPAIN & PORTUGAL –APRIL 18-29, 2027 12days

Fr. Joonbin Lim, Associate Pastor, St. Catherine of Siena Parish, will be hosting an information session on **Sunday, October 18, 2026 at 12:30pm (Brother Andre Room)** – all welcome to attend if interested. Travel arrangements by International Heritage Tours. The Itinerary Brochure is also available at the parish office. stan@ihtours.com alex@ihtours.com or contact Stan 877-999-8868 ext 339.

PREPARING FOR WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

“The invitation is for all peoples”

Isaiah sees a feast the Lord prepares “for all peoples” (Is 25:6). In the Gospel the king sends servants to the highways so that the wedding hall may be filled (Mt 22:1-14). Mission is that invitation carried to every nation.

Next Sunday is the 100th World Mission Sunday. Please plan to pray for missionaries and to support the second collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, which aids young Churches in more than 1,100 mission territories

STRUGGLING IN YOUR MARRIAGE? Find

Hope with Retrouvaille – Retrouvaille is a marriage program that helps couples who are struggling to restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. Retrouvaille helps to improve communication, build stronger marriages and aids couples to reconnect. Join us for our upcoming weekend Oct. 16th (evening), 17th and 18th because no marriage is beyond hope. For more information visit www.retrouvaille.org, email: hamilton@helpourmarriage.org, or call 905-664-5212.

WALK WITH JESUS: A Retreat Day for Parents Who Have Experienced the Death of a Child

– The loss of a child is a most challenging event in the life of any parent. This grief is acute and challenging. The Diocese of Hamilton invites you to join us for this healing day. Whether the loss is recent or some time ago, we know this day will help to restore your inner peace. The retreat will be offered from 9:00am to 4:00pm on Saturday, November 7th at St. Catherine of Siena Parish in Hamilton. The \$20 fee includes lunch. Registration is required so we can plan for handouts and food. You can register on the Diocesan home page at hamiltondiocese.com under upcoming events (look for the retreat date), or by calling the office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

HEART2HANDS MINISTRY wants to welcome everyone to our monthly workshop held on October 17, 2026 from 1 to 3 pm, held in the main hall. Learn to make a sleeping mat from milk bags. If you can knit or crochet, help create hats, mittens, scarves, blankets, which are donated to those in need in our community. Looking forward to seeing you. All new members are welcome.

CATHOLIC WOMANS LEAGUE All Ladies of the Parish are invited to our CWL Sock-tober meeting and craft night on October 21st at 7 PM. Each month we are taking part in service to the community by bringing in donations. This month we will providing new warm socks to the unhoused by supporting the Good Shepherd. As the season of harvest is upon us, we invite you to join us for a special Craft Night filled with fun, community, and celebration. It isn't mandatory, but if you want to join us in our seasonal craft - anyone can make this one – the cost is \$10 per person and we need to know in advance. You can add your \$10 to an envelope and place in the collection basket (simply add your name and address to your envelope and mark it for the CWL Craft Night) or e-transfer \$10 directly to the CWL e-mail at stcatherineofsienacwl@gmail.com. We look forward to sharing this time together with the meeting, social and good food. For CWL news and upcoming meeting check out our webpage at www.catherineofsienachurch.ca/CWL/ See you there!

SYNODALITY CORNER – On February 13, 2027 St Catherine of Siena will host a Synodality Retreat Day. In the spirit of preparation for it we'll feature a *Synodality Corner* in our bulletin to help us gain a deeper understanding of what synodality means to us as faithful Catholics.

In his very first message to the world, Pope Leo said: “We want to be a synodal Church, a Church that moves forward, a Church that always seeks peace.”

On October 31 (1-4 PM ET) we have an opportunity to login to a webinar, *Synodality in the Parish*, with a uniquely Canadian angle. We will explore how to apply the principles of synodality to transform our relationships and decision-making. It will include an introduction to synodality, and is for anyone interested in the renewal of parish life.

You can register for the Oct 31 webinar at <https://concernedlaycatholics.ca/upcoming-events> Stay tuned for details on a watch party for the webinar.

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